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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S SPEECH ON JAPAN

SUMMARY: THE OKINAWAN PRESS GAVE UNUSUALLY GOOD COVERAGE

TO THE SECRETARY'S SPEECH ON JAPAN. END SUMMARY

1. SECRETARY KISSINGER'S ADDRESS AT THE JAPAN SOCIETY WAS

ODDLY GIVEN MAJOR AND RELATIVELY STRAINGHTFORWARD COVERAGE BY THE

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TWO STAUNCHLY LEFTIST OKINAWAN NEWSPAPERS. THE EVENING

EDITIONS JUNE 19 CARRIED IDENTICAL HEADLINES: "THE VITAL

IMPORTANCE OF US-JAPAN RELATIONS," AND REPORTED THE SPEECH IN

DETAIL USING THE KYODO NEWS AGENCY DESPATCHES.

2. THE OKINAWA TIMES EDITORIAL JUNE 20 FIRST BACKHANDEDLY

PRAISED THE SPEECH AS INDICATING THE SECRETARY NO LONGER DOWNGRADES

THE IMPORTANCE OF JAPAN. IT THEN WENT ON TO COMPLAIN THE KISSINGER  $\,$ 

INDIRECTLY CRITICIZED JAPAN'S "EQUIDISTANT DIPLOMACY" AND PUSHED

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JAPAN TO SPEND MORE ON DEFENSE. THE EDITORIAL ALSO CLAIMED THE

GUARANTEE OF AMERICAN RELIABILITY ON FOOD SUPPLIES WAS SOMEHOW DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE JAPAN FURTHER TO SUBJUGATE ITSELF TO THE U.S. 3. COMMENT: DESPITE THE INEVITABLE NEGATIVISM OF THE EDITORIAL, THE SECRETARY'S SPEECH WAS GIVEN UNUSUALLY FULL COVERAGE FOR AN OKINAWAN READERSHIP THAT NORMALLY GETS ONLY THE LEFTIST VIEW OF THE WORLD.

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